GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have explored the possibility to export sugar to European Union countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have exported sugar to other countries also; and

(d) if so, the names of the countries alongwith the quantum and foreign exchange earned during the last three years, country-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a)&(b): Export of sugar to European Union is made under the preferential quotas. Atpresent India has an annual preferential quota of 10,000 M.Ts of white sugar and a raw sugar quota of 10,000 M.Ts (White sugar equivalent), for export to European Union. However, some exporters have also exported small quantities of sugar to the EU countries, outside the above preferential quotas, on payment of full import duties applicable on import of sugar in those countries.

(c)&(d): Government has not undertaken any export of sugar.